From: Chriss Winston
To: Microsoft ATR
Date: 1/28/02 9:15am
Subject: Microsoft Settlement

Dear General Ashcroft,

I am both a consumer of Microsoft products and a small stockholder. I have seen the money my husband and I set aside for our son's college education cut in half since the federal government, under the last Administration, undertook what I believe was a vendetta against a great company. Now, you have a chance to right a wrong. As a consumer, I am very happy with both the quality and price of Microsoft's products. I have seen no indications whatsoever of price gouging. To the contrary, over the years, Microsoft's products have become less expensive not more while offering the consumer increasingly improved technology. There has been no harm to the consumer period. As far as I'm concerned, the entire case should be thrown out, but at a minimum, you should settle it and let the tech sector recover from the near fatal attack by the Clinton administration. If anyone is to blame for the fall of tech stocks over the past 18 months, it is Al Gore and Bill Clinton, and the sorry mess began with their ill-advised, politically-motivated Microsoft anti-trust suit. Please right this wrong and settle with Microsoft.

Sincerely,

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